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TITLE: DISPENSING DEVICE FOR MICROFLUIDIC DROPLETS  
ESPECIALLY FOR CYTOMETRY  
EXAMINER: Unassigned  
ART UNIT: 2827

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**REQUEST TO CORRECT FILING RECEIPT**

It is respectfully submitted that the Filing Receipt for the above-identified patent application has an error.

The **Foreign Applications** section is blank, but should contain the following data:

**“FRANCE 04 00433 01/19/2004”**

Please amend the Filing Receipt and appropriate records to reflect the correct priority information for the above-referenced patent application. A copy of the Filing Receipt is enclosed with the necessary correction indicated in red ink.

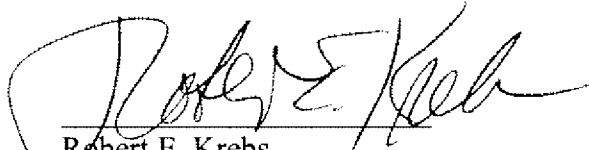
In addition, a copy of the Preliminary Amendment showing the correct priority information, as initially filed with the patent application on July 19, 2006, is enclosed as a reference.

No fee is believed to be due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1698.

Respectfully submitted,  
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Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant

This application is a 371 of PCT/FR2005/050025 01/17/2005

Foreign Applications

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If Required, Foreign Filing License Granted: 08/09/2008

The country code and number of your priority application, to be used for filing abroad under the Paris Convention, is **US 10/586,831**

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**Title**

Dispensing Device For Microfluidic Droplets Especially For Cytometry

**Preliminary Class**

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks / Arguments** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please amend the specification by inserting the paragraph below, after the title on page 1.

**Cross-Reference to Related Application**

This application claims priority based on International Patent Application No. PCT/FR2005/050025 filed on January 17, 2005, entitled "Device for Dispensing Microfluidic Droplets, Particularly For Cytometry" by Philippe Renaud, Nathalie Picollet-D'Hahan, Vincent Haguet, Francois Chatelain, which claims priority of French Application No. 04 00433, filed on January 19, 2004, and which was not published in English.


**REMARKS**

Entry of the foregoing amendment to the specification is requested to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.78(a)(2).

Favorable consideration and an early allowance of this application are earnestly solicited.

If the Examiner should be of the opinion that a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any outstanding issues, the Examiner is urged to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,  
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A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Robert E. Krebs', is written over a horizontal line.

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